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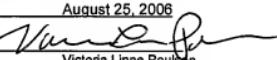
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 27, 2006, and is being filed concurrently herewith a Petition for One Month Extension of Time, thereby making this a timely response on or before August 27, 2006. Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees which may be required, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No.: 463077-274 Our Docket No.: A-71431-4).

**Amendment to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.